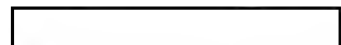


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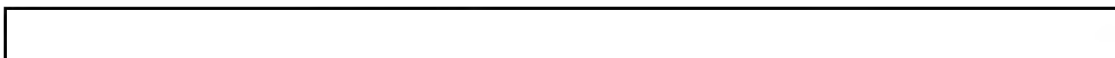
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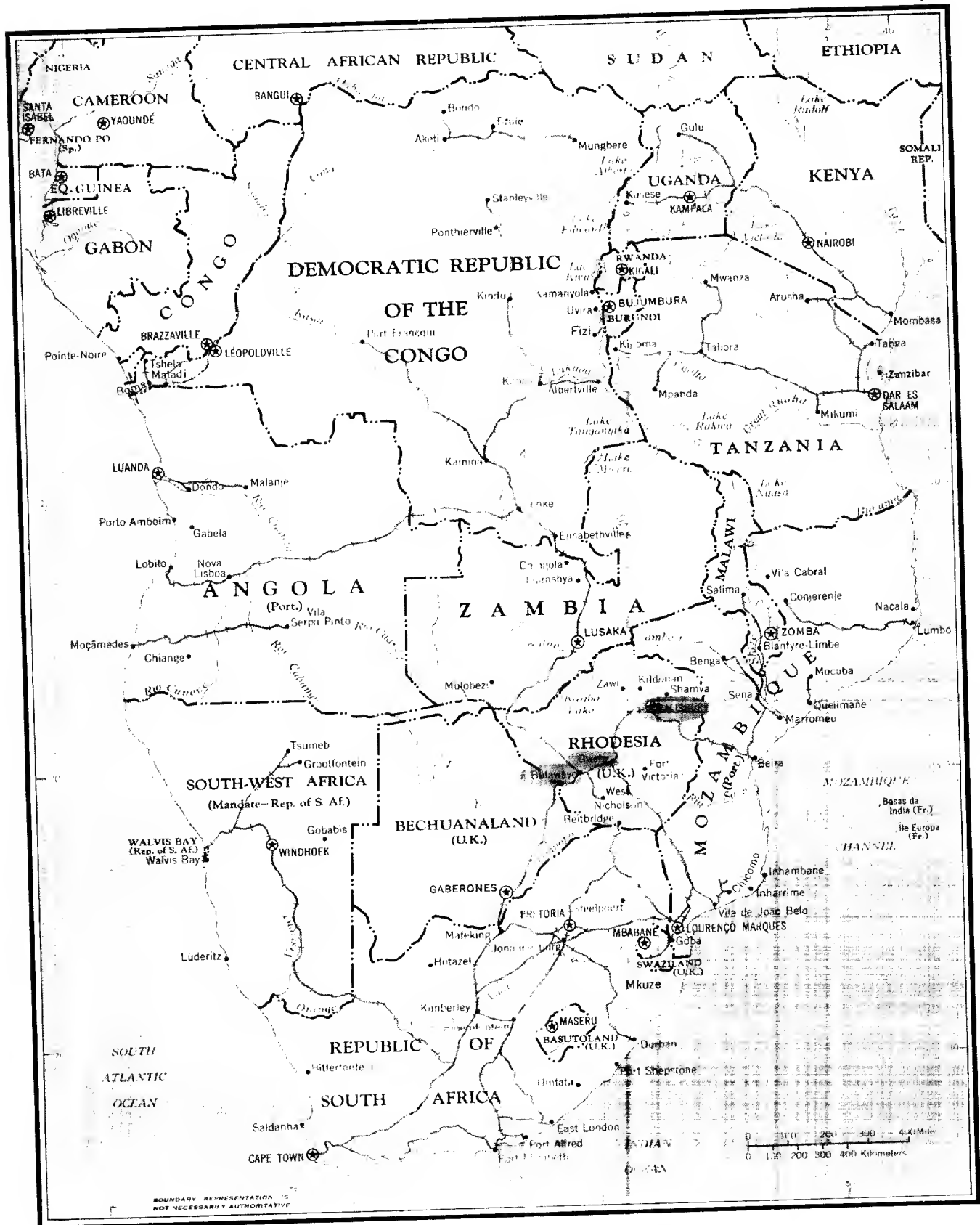
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Rhodesia: [Sporadic African acts of defiance against the Smith government seem to be increasing.]

[In demonstrations just outside Bulawayo this week, crowds of Africans have thrown rocks at police as well as such previous targets as buses and trains. Yesterday police fired into the crowd for the first time and killed one African. African nationalists have not been successful in preventing most workers in Bulawayo and Gwelo from going to work.]

[South Africa is restoring normal economic relations with Rhodesia and may be preparing to help Salisbury evade sanctions. The South African Reserve Bank already has given permission for financial and trade transactions with Rhodesia to be resumed on the same basis as before independence.]

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South Africa will continue to sell ammunition to Rhodesia, act as Rhodesia's broker in trade with other countries, and allow oil to transit South Africa if other routes are closed. /

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Communist China: The regime is demanding more political subservience from physicists and other natural scientists.

This group has been relatively exempt from political interference, despite the long-standing insistence by the leadership that all intellectuals be "red" as well as "expert."

Red Flag, authoritative theoretical journal of the Chinese Communist Party, has published several articles since last summer exhorting scientists to spend more time reading Mao Tse-tung's revolutionary political tracts, and to use his ideas to guide their research. Publication of these articles in Red Flag suggests that a major policy decision on this issue has been taken at the highest level.

The Red Flag articles attack several prominent Western scientists by name, including Niels Bohr, founder of the Copenhagen school of theoretical physics. Red Flag charges that the school has misled the world of physics for 40 years because it failed to adopt a dialectical approach. This criticism has particular significance because the Bohr Institute, center of the Copenhagen school, has been giving post-doctoral training to two junior Chinese nuclear physicists since 1963.

These articles are not the only recent indication of party dissatisfaction over politically aloof scientists. On 4 June, People's Daily published an article signed by Chien Hsueh-sen, a US-trained rocket specialist, who apologized for having belittled politics in the past and for having, by his example, encouraged other scientists to do the same.

The effect of this trend on Chinese scientific work cannot yet be judged. Its continuation could ultimately

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have an impact comparable to Lysenkoism, which hampered the biological sciences in the USSR for many years. The damage done in China, however, will depend on the extent to which scientists are allowed to continue their serious work while merely giving lip service to political shibboleths.

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Red Star
Photographs
of
'MOBILE ICBM'
in
Operation



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USSR: The Soviets are continuing their effort to convince both foreign and domestic audiences that they possess a greater strategic missile capability than Western spokesmen have indicated.

Shortly after the first showing of the "mobile ICBM" in the Moscow parade on 7 November, Soviet military leaders publicly boasted of its invulnerability. Pictures of the missile being erected for launching have appeared in the newspaper Red Star and in a Moscow TV film. Similar publicity followed other missile displays last May. In early July Brezhnev stated that Western estimates of Soviet missile strength were faulty.

The theme of the current propaganda effort is that its mobility prevents the new "ICBM" system from being targeted, thus ensuring the retention of a Soviet strategic counterattack capability.
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Indonesia: There has been no essential change in the situation. The army continues its anti-PKI activities, generally ignoring Sukarno's recent strictures. The President apparently continues his behind-the-scenes maneuvers, but he has not yet managed to change the political equation.

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